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DEVICES

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 24, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claim 32, which is based on allowable claim

13:

32. (New) A compound comprising a soluble, film-forming conjugated poly(phenylene vinylene) compound having a 1,4-phenylene vinylene unit with adjacent substituents, said substituents being oriented such as to affect the electronic structure of the compound sufficiently to cause a blue-shift in the photoluminescence and/or electroluminescence of the compound, wherein the adjacent substituents are in the 2-position and the 3-position of the phenylene residue, wherein the compound is of formula (II) or formula (III):

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